UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Viginia 22313-1450 www.uspto.gov

| APPLICATION NUMBER | FILING OR 371(c) DATE | FIRST NAMED APPLICANT | ATTY. DOCKET NO./TITLE |
|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 10/596,593 | 06/16/2006 | Toshihiko Ushiro | 20239/0204133-US0 |

CONFIRMATION NO. 8174

7278
DARBY & DARBY P.C.
P. O. BOX 5257
NEW YORK, NY10150-5257

Date Mailed. 01/18/2007

NOTICE OF NEW OR REVISED PROJECTED PUBLICATION DATE

The above-identified application has a new or revised projected publication date. The current projected publication date for this application is 04/26/2007. If this is a new projected publication date (there was no previous projected publication date), the application has been cleared by Licensing & Review or a secrecy order has been rescinded and the application is now in the publication queue.

If this is a revised projected publication date (one that is different from a previously communicated projected publication date), the publication date has been revised due to processing delays in the USPTO or the abandonment and subsequent revival of an application. The application is anticipated to be published on a date that is more than six weeks different from the originally-projected publication date.

More detailed publication information is available through the private side of Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) System. The direct link to access PAIR is currently http://pair.uspto.gov. Further assistance in electronically accessing the publication, or about PAIR, is available by calling the Patent Electronic Business Center at (703) 305-3028.

Questions relating to this Notice should be directed to the Office of Patent Publication at (703) 305-8283.

PART 1 - ATTORNEY/APPLICANT COPY